

ComEd to Offer Natural Energy Incentives

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Commonwealth Edison is offering financial incentives for customers who harness wind and solar power on their properties. Starting next month, ComEd said Monday, the utility will give customers who install small wind generators or solar photovoltaic energy generators monthly payments for excess energy they generate that flows back to the company. Customers also will get an annual payment as an incentive to participate in the program. ComEd officials said the payment will vary from customer to customer.

"This is the first in-depth program designed to examine the potential of small wind and photovoltaic resources as distributed generation," said Arlene Juracek, a ComEd vice president. "This investment will also stimulate economic growth and enhance the continued diversification of Illinois' energy resource mix."

ComEd provides service to more than 3.4 million customers in northern Illinois --households, businesses and others -- or 70 percent of the state's population.

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